

Interim Coalition Coordinating Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: December 15, 2006
Location: Frederick County Health Department

Attendance: Barbara Brookmyer - present
William Byrne - absent
Monica Grant - present
Pat Hanberry – present for Sarah Penna
Leigh Joos - present
Brenda Lee – present
David Liddle – excused (sent information for the by-laws discussion to the
ICCC prior to the meeting in anticipation of his absence),
Margaret Nusbaum - present
Sarah Penna - absent/excused
Brian Scott - absent
Mike Spurrier - excused
Jim Williams - present

Call to Order: Monica Grant, Facilitator, opened a regular meeting of the Interim Coalition Coordinating Committee at 12:08 p.m.

Announcements: Jim shared Maryland Hospital Association's Legislature & Regulatory Advocacy Priorities pamphlet.

Report from Standing Committees:

Availability subcommittee –Most recent meeting included discussion of today's agenda items - see attached minutes. Funding was mentioned and formation of a grant writing committee suggested. Dental care needs assessment to be completed by Hood College undergraduate. Subcommittee discussed identifying solutions for dental care gaps first. Discussed mobile dental units. Subcommittee expressed interest in and working on tangible short term successes, not just by-laws. Subcommittee grappled with purpose of coalition – to assist existing non-profits or fill gaps in system.

Affordability Subcommittee - Legislative training scheduled for this Monday with Sue Hecht. Legislative session will be the focus of advocacy efforts. There is a possibility that the "tobacco tax" would pass this year.

Needs Assessment Subcommittee - No meeting since last ICCC meeting. Proposals to be reviewed December 18th.

Pharmacy Subcommittee - No report available.

Coalition Composition:

Concept – Large pool general members with executive committee coming from the general membership and members of the subcommittees would also come from the general membership. Persons can be members of Coalition without necessarily engaging in current subcommittee.

Expectations –The coalition is a “working” coalition that that goes beyond networking. General members interested in action would be encouraged to participate in subcommittees.

Frequency of Coalition meetings:

Suggestion quarterly and could include educational presentations

Fee Structure:

Suggestion that there would be needs that would cost money so this should be considered.

Organizational Affiliation:

Two levels of membership – general and voting - were suggested.

Determination of issues to be determined by Executive Committee and larger Coalition:

Executive Committee to determine what issues are to be brought to voting membership to decide.

Next Meeting:

Monica will prepare a draft of the by-laws discussion up to this point. This draft will be distributed to the ICCC for discussion purposes only prior to the next meeting, January 5, 2007.

Meeting Schedule:

1st and 3rd Fridays 12:00- 1:30pm